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CONNECTIVE STRUCTURE

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Dear Sir:

The following documents are enclosed in connection with the above-referenced patent application:

1. Request for Continued Examination ("RCE") Under 37 C.F.R. 1.114 (2 pages);
2. Copy of Amendment After Final (Under 37 C.F.R. 1.116), originally filed December 11, 2001 (14 pages);
3. Petition For Extension Of Period For Response (1 page);
4. Fee Determination (After Amendment of Claims) (1 page);
5. Check No. 900689 in the amount of \$425.00 (\$370.00 to cover RCE filing fee, and \$55.00 to cover one month extension fee); and
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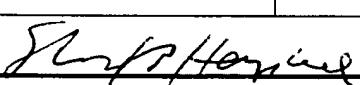


**Fee DETERMINATION
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Dear Sir:

In response to the final Office Action dated October 11, 2001, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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In the claims:

Please replace the identified claims with the amended claims as follows:

1. (Twice Amended) A discrete, preassembled, composite block unit for independent placement as a unit with other laterally and vertically adjacent units to form a wall structure, comprising:

a first wall and a second wall, at least one of which is load bearing for vertical loads and made from a first, masonry-type material;

a connective structure formed of a second, non-masonry-type material and connected between the first and second walls, said connective structure having at least two connectors;